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FROM HIS EXCELLENCY LORD DUNMORE. 1

WMBURG July 3d. 1773.

DEAR SIR

I received the favour of yours of the 20th of last Month on saturday last, as I did your former in April, & most certainly should have answered it then If I had not expected to have been in your Neighbourhood before your return from the North, & I then proposed to have waited upon you at Mount Vernon, where I was in hopes we should have settled every thing for our intended journey; But I am now most exceedingly sorry to learn by your last that you have so good a reason for chainging your resolution, & I do sincerely condole with you, & poor Mrs. Washington for your loss, tho as the poor young Lady was so often Afflicted with these fitts. I dare say she thinks it a happy exchainge. I propose to leave this in a day or two in my way to Mr Wormly's, to take up the Old Gentleman, who has promised to accompany me up to your part of the world, & if I thought it would not be disagreeable to Mrs. Washington I certainly would do myself the Honor of calling upon you, but if it should not be agreeable to Mrs. Washington to see company I hope I shall have the pleasure of meeting you at some of your Neighbour's which will oblige

your most Obt. & very Hble. Sert. DUNMORE

Library of Congress 1 John Murray, Lord Dunmore, born in 1732, died in May, 1809. Governor of Virginia from July, 1771, to June, 1775.